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SUBJ: GREEK-TURKISH AEGEAN DISPUTE  
WEEKEND DEVELOPMENTS

REF: A. ANKARA 4741; B. ATHENS 3801

1. TURK PRESS HAS PICKED UP AP NEWS STORY THAT TURKEY HAS  
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CONVEYED ITS DISAPPROVAL TO GREECE OVER JUNE 16-30 MINE

WARFRE AND SUBMARINE EXERCISES OFF IZMIR (REFTELS). ACCORDING TO JUNE22 EDITION OF MILLIYET, GREEK CHARGE ANKAR TOLD BY MFA ON JUNE 21 THAT EXERCISES WOULD CAST SHADOW OVER OPTIMISTIC ATMOSPHERE RESULTING FROM MEETING OF GOT-GOG FONMINS IN OTTAWA. FONMINISTRY REPORTEDLY ALSO COMMENTED TO CHARGE ON ANTI-TURKISH PAMPHLETS CIRCULATING IN GREECE.

2. PRIMIN ECEVIT, DURING TELEVISION INTERVIEW EVENING OF JUNE 21, SAID THAT SOME PROGRESS HAD BEEN MADE IN OTTAWA ON AEGEAN QUESTION, BUT HE COULD NOT YET TELL HOW CONSTRUCTIVE OUTCOME OF GOT-GOG DISCUSSIONS WOULD BE. WHEN QUESTIONED WHETHER US SHIP (PRESUMABLY BELONGING TO GEOPHYSICAL SERVICES INC.) HAD GIVEN UP PROSPECTING IN AEGEAN AND BLACK SEAS, PRIMIN REPLIED THAT TURK NEGOTIATIONS WITH US FIRM WERE CONTINUING. EVEN IF NEGOTIATIONS FELL THROUGH, HE CONTINUED, GOT COULD AND WOULD OBTAIN NECESSARY EQUIPMENT AND MAKE GEOPHYSICAL SURVEYS WITH ITS OWN RESOURCES.

3. MEANWHILE, OPPOSITION JUSTICE PARTY LEADER DEMIREL ON JUNE 22 REWPONDED TO CRITICAL STATEMENT BY 85 MEMBERS OF THE MAJORITY COALITION PARTNER, THE REPUBLICAN PEOPLE'S PARTY, BY OBSERVING THAT TURKEY IS UNITED ON NATIONAL ISSUES AND WOULD NOT COMPROMISE ON AEGEAN QUESTION. DEMIREL WAS BEING CRITICIZED FOR INTERVIEW APPEARING IN JUNE 5 EDITION OF FRANKFURTER ALLGEMEINE IN WHICH HE ALLEGEDLY ACCUSED GOVERNMENT OF MAKING UNNECESSARY SHOW OF FORCE IN AEGEAN.  
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